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Notice of Market-Dominant Price
Adjustment and Classification Changes
Related to Move Update Assessment

Docket No. R2017-7

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 4

(Issued July 20, 2017)

On July 3, 2017, the Commission issued Order No. 3990, establishing this docket to evaluate proposed price and classification changes.¹ To assist the Commission in evaluating the proposed changes, the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following questions and requests for information. The responses should be provided no later than July 27, 2017.

1. Please refer to USPS-LR-R2017-7-4, Excel File "Move Update Census Data.xlsx," tab "MERLIN Fee-Paying Mailings."
 - a. Please confirm that this file includes only mailings that were both selected by the Performance-Based-Verification (PBV) test and charged a Move Update assessment using the MERLIN method. If not confirmed, please explain the subset of mailings used for this tab.
 - b. Please describe a scenario in which a mailing selected by the PBV test, but not charged an assessment under the MERLIN method, would be charged an assessment under the Census method. If this scenario is impossible, please explain why.

¹ Notice and Order on Price Adjustment for Move Update, July 3, 2017 (Order No. 3990).

2. Please provide the following information. If responsive data are not available, please explain why they are not available (for example, the scenario presented is impossible, as may be the case for question 1(b)) and the obstacles to obtaining such data.
 - a. The number of mailings selected by the PBV test.
 - b. The number of mailings selected by the PBV test but not charged an assessment under the MERLIN method.
 - c. The number of mailpieces in mailings selected by the PBV test.
 - d. The number of mailpieces in mailings selected by the PBV test but not charged an assessment under the MERLIN method.
 - e. The number of mailings selected by the PBV test, but not charged an assessment under the MERLIN method, that would have been charged an assessment under the Census method.
 - f. The number of mailpieces in mailings selected by the PBV test, but not charged an assessment under the MERLIN method, that would have been charged an assessment under the Census method.

By the Chairman.

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